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Lumbini Tour package is specially designed for every traveler to witness the origin of Buddhism in the world. It is the birthplace of Lord Gautama Buddha and is located in the Rupandehi district of Nepal. It is one of the many magnets of Buddhism for pilgrimage. Lumbini is inscribed on the UNESCO world heritage list. Lumbini is the landmark for the origin of Buddhism, as Gautama Buddha was born here in 560 BC, and King Ashoka carved a pillar in Lumbini to mark the birthplace of Buddha in Lumbini.

Lumbini tour can explore the birthplace of Lord Buddha, one of Nepal's most important pilgrimage sites. Gautam Buddha was a sage and ascetic who founded the teachings of Buddhism. It is known as a sacred place for Buddhists all over the world.

Trip highlights

- ❖ Mayadevi Temple of the 3rd century in Lumbini
- ❖ Ashoka pillar from 249 BC.
- ❖ Famous Lumbini Museum
- ❖ World Peace Flame and World Peace Stupa
- ❖ Tilaurakot, Kunda, Devdaha, Sangrahawa
- ❖ Several Buddhist monasteries and stupas

Itinerary highlights

Although we generally stick to the program, the itinerary is subject to change for numerous reasons beyond our control, such as weather and terrain conditions, availability of suitable campsites, and the general fitness level of the group. Our guide will brief you each evening on the next day's plan, and your good judgment is the key to the long history of our success. Please remember that our ability to make adjustments as needed will help ensure that your tour is safe and successful. Your safety is our number one priority.

Day 01: Arrival at Kathmandu international Airport and transfer to the hotel.

Day 02: Fly or drive to Lumbini and overnight at the hotel.

Day 03: After breakfast, full day Lumbini Sightseeing Tour.

Day 04: Fly or drive to Kathmandu and overnight at the hotel.

Day 05: Transfer to the Kathmandu international airport.

Overview

Lumbini is situated about 355 km southwest of Kathmandu. It was a beautiful garden during the reign of the Shakya dynasty in southwestern Nepal. This place is famous because here Lord Buddha was born in 560 BC. The birth of Buddha in Lumbini was recorded in the inscription of the pillar. Ashoka's pilgrimage to Lumbini has also been recorded on a stone pillar from 300-325 BC. When a Chinese traveler, Wen Sheng- Tsai, visited this place in 300-325 AD, he found there the tree of birth (Ashoka), a lapis lazuli statue depicting the scene of Buddha's birth, and the footprints of the seven footprints of Buddha enclosed and covered by lapis lazuli slabs. The monuments unearthed in these excavations are the temple of Mayadevi (Mother of Buddha), the Ashoka Pillar with its 9 m sandstone shaft of five-line inscription, the bell capital, and many things of religious and historical importance.

Some important places to visit in Lumbini are:

Mayadevi Temple

The temple of Mayadevi, the mother of Buddha, is located near the Ashoka pillar. The statue of Mayadevi is made of a stone that is believed to be 2000 years old. People worship both Mayadevi and Rupadevi.

Puskar Pond

South of Mayadevi's temple is the Puskar pond, where Mayadevi bathed before giving birth to Buddha, who took his purifying bath in this pond.

Lumbini Garden

The entire Lumbini area is considered a garden. Many monasteries were built with the help of different countries such as Thailand, Srilanka, and Japan.

The whole Lumbini garden area will become an international center for Buddhist pilgrimage and study. A Japanese architect, Professor Kenzo Tange, developed the master plan of Lumbini.

Detail Itinerary

Day 01: Arrival at Kathmandu international airport

After arriving at Kathmandu airport, please check our company board outside the airport gate. Our airport representative will meet you and transfer you to the hotel with a private vehicle, and our representative will help you check in your hotel. After that, if enough time, the representative will take you to our office for a short briefing about the trip, but if there is not enough time, then give a summary of the trip at the hotel and request the balance payment due for the journey. Overnight at the hotel

Meals: Breakfast

Day 02: Kathmandu to Lumbini by flight or drive

After breakfast, drive about 7/8 hours to Lumbini. Once in Lumbini, you will visit the World Peace Pagoda and Lumbini Crane Shrine. Overnight stay at hotel

Meals: Breakfast

Day 03: Full Day Sightseeing tour around Lumbini

Full-day sightseeing in Lumbini, including Asoka Pillar, Maya Devi Temple, Puskarni (sacred pool), various monasteries, etc.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 04: Flight or Drive to Kathmandu from Lumbini

After Breakfast, drive back to Kathmandu about 7/8 hours by private transport. Overnight in Kathmandu

Meals: Breakfast

Day 05: Depart Kathmandu

End of our services with departure transfer to Kathmandu airport to board a flight to your destination.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included?

- ❖ Pick up at the airport and round-trip transportation in a private vehicle.
- ❖ Two nights in a standard 3-star hotel in Kathmandu with breakfast.
- ❖ All transfers by private vehicle according to the size of the group.
- ❖ Two nights hotel accommodation in Lumbini with breakfast.
- ❖ Guided tour with a private vehicle according to the itinerary.
- ❖ All state taxes and office and service fees.

What is excluded?

- ❖ All meals (lunch and dinner).
- ❖ Nepal entry visa fee (visa can be issued on arrival).
- ❖ Your travel and health insurance.
- ❖ International airline tickets.
- ❖ Your expenses.
- ❖ All alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, hot and cold drinks.
- ❖ Tipping for the guide and driver (a tip is expected).

Fixed Departure

Regular departure date.

Choose the date that suits you best for the tour to Lumbini. No need to look for other people to join or look for our fixed departure date. We can join you on the small group tour, or we can do your private tour.

Accommodation

Accommodation in Lumbini is double/twin occupancy and is included in the tour price. We select three-star accommodations in Kathmandu and Lumbini based on the level of hygiene, quality of service, food, and location as part of the accommodation and breakfast. We serve a buffet breakfast at the hotel itself. If you are traveling alone, please share a room with another person of the same gender as your group. If you prefer a single room, you must inquire and pay for a room supplement before booking your trip.

Visa requirements

All foreign tourists need a visa to enter Nepal and obtain it at a Nepalese embassy abroad or upon arrival in Nepal. Most people get a visa on arrival at Kathmandu airport. You will need a passport photo and depending on the following rates:

15 days USD 25 or convertible currency equivalent

30 days USD 40 or convertible currency equivalent

90 days USD 100 or equivalent convertible currency

Cultural consideration

For those visiting Nepal, we recommend cultural information to help you adapt and feel comfortable:

The dress code is essential for both men and women. Both men and women should wear pants rather than shorts while traveling in Nepal. It is acceptable for men to wear vests, but women should try to be as modest as possible in these situations.

Hindu people are very concerned about ritual contamination of food if someone outside their caste or religion touches it. Therefore, do not feel the cooked food on the screen. When you touch from a vessel used by others, do not touch your lips. Do not eat with the left hand and eat or receive only with the right hand. Shoes are considered degrading. So leave them on the floor and remove them before putting your feet on anything. When entering a Nepali home, follow your host's directions on whether to remove your shoes. However, if you enter a temple or monastery, you should take them off.

On the way, you will pass Buddhist walls, Chorten, and Buddhist stupas, which you will place on the right side, following the local tradition.

Travel insurance

Travel insurance for each of our company's itineraries is a requirement for booking a vacation. As a minimum, emergency medical and repatriation insurance, including the costs of mountain rescue, theft, loss, damage, and clinical problems, is an excellent idea for travel in Nepal. There is a wide variety of policies available. Read your insurer's terms and conditions carefully, especially an

essential part of the fine print. Some policies exclude "dangerous activities" such as motorcycling and trekking, bungee jumping, and rafting.

Choose a policy covering clinical repatriation and emergency repatriation, including trekking helicopter evacuation and general medical evacuation. You may prefer a policy that pays directly at the hospital rather than paying at the time and claiming later. In Nepal, most clinical treatments must be paid for at the time of admission. If your insurance does not pay in advance, be sure to obtain receipts to claim later.

It would be best to understand that you will be responsible for the cost of evacuation and repatriation procedures. It is your responsibility to pay for evacuation or medical treatment. You should be aware of the implications of your travel insurance and understand the limitations and exclusions of your policy. Please note that, in certain circumstances, our company guide may initiate helicopter (or other necessary) rescue procedures in the event of a medical emergency without first obtaining approval from your insurance company.

GOOD TO KNOW

- Smile and greet the locals with "Namaste."
- Shake hands whenever you have the opportunity.
- Walk in a group or keep a distance that allows you to see the person in front and behind you.
- Talk to your tour guide before trying anything new during your visit.
- Ask the guide questions that are not clear to you.
- Inform your guide if you are not feeling well or if you need any items.
- Enjoy your free time shopping.
- Take lots of pictures. (No one knows what will happen tomorrow).

Don't Do

- Do not disrespect local culture and beliefs, even if you are not comfortable with them.
- Would you mind not taking pictures of the locals you meet on your tour without their permission? It may not be very respectful to them.
- Don't be offended if the locals stare at you. They are just surprised to see you. They don't mean to offend you.

- Do not harm wild animals, birds, and plants during the tour, and take a global perspective and responsibility to save and preserve this unique environment.
- Please do not give money to children and beggars, as it encourages them to beg even more instead of working and earning money.
- Do not wear short dresses when visiting temples.
- Do not carry dangerous weapons during the trip.
- Don't hesitate to say "no" if someone tries to sell you something you don't want. You won't offend them, especially if you smile and say "no, thank you."

FAQS

How to get to Lumbini?

With domestic flight

Flying to Lumbini is the easiest and fastest way but also the most time-consuming. You fly from Kathmandu to Bhairahawa airport, which is a 45-minute round-trip flight. You will then drive 30 minutes to Lumbini, check into your hotel, and start your tour of Lumbini.

With the bus

The bus ride can take 8 hours to reach Lumbini from Kathmandu. This access offers an economic Lumbini tour and for those who love a long trip. However, the itinerary is the same as the above domestic flight.

What is the best time to visit Lumbini?

Autumn

Autumn is the best season to visit Lumbini and explore its monuments and architecture. The monsoon retreats, leaving behind weather that begins to cool after the scorching conditions and the skies and atmosphere clear, providing ample opportunity for sunrises and sunsets.

How can I travel to Lumbini?

You can take a flight from Kathmandu to Siddhartha Nagar, which is 22 km from Lumbini. From there you can take buses. If you travel by bus from Kathmandu,

Pokhara, Gorakhpur, and Varanasi, you can reach Sunauli, which is about 30 km from Lumbini.

Why do tourists visit Lumbini?

The holiest place in the world

The tranquillity, aura, and peace experienced at Lumbini make it one of the most sacred places in the world to visit. Lumbini means love in Sanskrit, and the place is responsible for making you feel spiritual love.

Why is Lumbini important for Buddhists?

Lumbini is the birthplace of the Buddha, one of the most important spiritual sites in the world. It attracts Buddhist pilgrims from all over the globe. It is said that the newborn prince Siddhartha (later Buddha) took his first seven steps here and transmitted his message of peace to humankind.

How far is Lumbini from Kathmandu?

About 155 kilometers

Lumbini, the birthplace of the Buddha, is located in the western Terai of Nepal, near the border with India. It is about 155 miles (250 kilometers) from Kathmandu and is not the most comfortable overland journey. Flying is much easier. Here are the travel options between Kathmandu and Lumbini.

How to go from Kathmandu to Lumbini?

Travelers can reach Lumbini from Kathmandu, Pokhara, Chitwan in Nepal, or start from India. If traveling from Kathmandu to Lumbini, one can take a long bus ride or fly to a nearby place and then transfer to Lumbini. Considering the time taken and the comfort and convenience, it is more advisable to take a flight.

Reviews

Highly recommended travel agency

We are delighted to have traveled with your company. It was the trip of a lifetime. We were delighted with the guide and driver service and especially the manager of this company. Thank you very much for all you have done for us!!!! We will come to Nepal next year to make another trip with this agency.

A highly recommended travel company with a lot of pleasant experience!!!!

We have enjoyed our trip to Nepal with Nepal Tour & Trekking Service P. Ltd. It is a fantastic experience. It was our first time in Nepal, and from the welcome at the airport to the drop-off at the airport two weeks later, everything went very smoothly. Our guide and driver were terrific and very helpful with information. The accommodation was excellent, clean, and comfortable. The places we visited were spectacular! We loved the sights, the beautiful villages, and the Nepali people we met along the way. Overall, we would like to express our enormous gratitude for providing us with this memorable and mind-blowing holiday experience in Nepal. Hope to see you next time. Thank you and see you, my friend!

The best value for money and a professional tour.

My husband and I took an 11-day tour of Nepal and had a fantastic time. We could see a beautiful and historical side of Nepal that we would not have found on our own. Kishor was an excellent manager with great planning skills. Also fantastic trip in Chitwan and Lumbini. It was a truly memorable trip to Nepal. Many thanks to the team of Nepal Tour & Trekking Service for making our trip so amazing.

Day trip to Lumbini from Kathmandu

I was looking for a tour and wanted to be Buddha's place. I found Nepal Tour & Trekking Service P. Ltd on TripAdvisor. After reading excellent reviews of previous clients, I contact them immediately. Mr. Kishor was speedy in responding and have a complete itinerary about visiting Lumbini. The one-day program was worth leaving Kathmandu after breakfast and returning to Kathmandu in the evening before dinner. They handled all my arrival and departure very well. The guide in Lumbini was informative and seemed professional. I took a Lumbini Garden tour as a Kishor suggested before my flight, which did not cost me more. Visiting places, there was quite remarkable with beautiful monasteries with nice decoration and clean area. Even though it was a very short trip with Kishor and his agency, I was delighted with the service and arrangement. I'm sure that I will visit Nepal once again and indeed use this agency for my next trip

The best travel agency in Nepal

I booked and took a day trip to Lumbini in 2018. It was my great opportunity to visit this heavenly place in a short time. Kishor organized it very well. I was picked up from my hotel on time; the guide was helpful and experienced in Lumbini. I had enough time to visit the place. My recommendation for all travel to use this agency for any trip to Nepal.